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Memorandum

To: Provost and Chief Academic Officers

From: Paula Compton, Associate Vice Chancellor, Articulation and Transfer

Date: February 24, 2021

Subject: Announcement of the Approved Revisions to the Ohio Transfer Module

(OTM)

Overview/Background:

The Ohio Transfer Module (OTM) was created 30 years ago to address issues of transfer and articulation among Ohio's 36 two- and four-year public institutions, particularly with respect to the General Education curriculum. The major objective of the OTM is to provide students the assurance that the courses they take can be used towards their degree at the receiving transfer destination.

Statewide discussions have occurred over the past few years to rethink the OTM and assess whether it meets the current needs of Ohio public institutions of higher education and students. As a result, OTM revisions have been proposed that focus around flexibility with certainty to allow students to choose different paths through the OTM based on their own unique situation, while at the same time assuring students that credits will transfer to their destination institution.

Within the next few weeks, several announcements will be sent out statewide to inform your institution of approved revisions to the OTM. Important statewide updates include:

- 1. Approved Revisions of the Ohio Transfer Module (OTM): Announcement Packet
- 2. Announcement of OTM Learning Outcomes
- 3. Announcements on Approved OTM Revisions and Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Learning Outcomes Implementation

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4. Announcement of OTM Renaming/Rebranding

5. Announcement of the Ohio Transfer Promise

What your institution will need to know:

To assist your institution with understanding future announcements, corresponding Q/A webinars will be held statewide. With an official announcement of approved OTM revisions, we will hold the first Q/A session on **Thursday**, **March 18**, **2021 from 11:00-12:00p.m**. Should you and/or colleagues at your institutions be interested in participating please join the session here.

A special thank you to those that were instrumental in helping achieve this accomplishment and thank you to all the Ohio public institutions of higher education for their assistance throughout this process.

If you have any questions, contact Paula Compton, Associate Vice Chancellor & Executive Director, Articulation & Transfer, at 614-466-3334 or pcompton@highered.ohio.gov or Jessi Spencer, Director for Policy, Budget, and Constituent Relations, at 614-728-4706 or jspencer@highered.ohio.gov.

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